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SUBJECT:INTER-AMERICAN TECHNOLOGY CENTER

1. IN VIEW OF THE UNCTAD PROPOSAL AT NAIROBI FOR DEVELOPED COUNTRIES TO HELP IMPROVE THE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND THE US PROPOSAL AT SANTIAGO FOR EXAMINATION OF AN INTER-AMERICAN TECHNOLOGY CENTER; ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE IS REQUESTED TO PREPARE A US POSITION FOR THE OAS, IN PARTICULAR, YOUR VIEW AS TO WHETHER SUCH A CENTER SHOULD ACT PREDOMINANTLY AS A CHANNEL TO FUND EXISTING LA TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTES TO INCREASE THEIR RESEARCH AND TRAINING CAPABILITIES.

2. A REPORT OR SUMMARY OF FIRST-RATE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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INSTITUTIONS IN YOUR AREA WOULD BE USEFUL, PARTICULARLY AS

REGARDS RESEARCH AND GRADUATE PROGRAMS AND ADEQUACY OF FUNDING FOR RESEARCH. EMPHASIS SHOULD BE ON APPLIED MATHEMATICS, APPLIED PHYSICS (ATOMIC, SOLID STATE, PLASMA), COMPUTER SCIENCES, AERONAUTICS, METALLURGY, CHEMICAL ENGINEERING, CHEMISTRY, ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING, MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, I.E. THOSE SCIENCES WHICH FORM THE LONG TERM BASE FOR TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT.

3. A LIST OF REPRESENTATIVE INSTITUTIONS WHICH MIGHT BE VISITED TO OBTAIN FIRST-HAND KNOWLEDGE OF CURRENT STATE OF LA WORK ON THESE TOPICS WOULD BE USEFUL; AS WOULD AN EVALUATION OF INDUSTRIAL MANAGEMENT AND CONSULTING INSTITUTES, TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION CENTERS, AND STANDARDS AND QUALITY CONTROL INSTITUTES, E.G. ICAITI (GUATEMALA), IMIT (MEXICO), IIT (COLOMBIA), IVIC (VENEZUELA), IPT (BRAZIL), INTI (ARGENTINA), ITINTEC (PERU), INDOTEC (DOMINICAN REPUBLIC); AND ALSO THE PROGRAMS AND FUNDING CAPABILITY OF LOCAL EQUIVALENTS OF THE US NSF E.G. CONACYT (ARGENTINA); CNPQ (BRAZIL); CONICYT (CHILE); COLCIENCIAS (COLOMBIA); CONACYT (MEXICO); CONI (PERU); CONICIT (VENEZUELA).

4. COMMENTS ON THE FEASIBILITY OF LINKAGE, THROUGH SUCH A PROPOSED INTER-AMERICAN CENTER, OF UNIVERSITY AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH INSTITUTES TO INDUSTRY WOULD BE HELPFUL. EMPHASIS SHOULD PROBABLY BE MORE ON TECHNOLOGY EXPERTISE RATHER THAN ON MANAGEMENT OR MARKETING PROCEDURES.

5. COMMENTS ON US NAS-BOSTID-AID PROGRAMS IN S&T WOULD HELP. IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE, THE FOLLOWING ARE QUESTIONS WHICH NEED TO BE ANSWERED.

6. WHAT IS THE CURRENT CONTRIBUTION AND EFFECTIVENESS OF AGENCIES LIKE NASA, NSF AND INTERNATIONAL BANKING INSTITUTIONS TO RESEARCH SUPPORT IN LA? IN ADDITION TO FUNDING A TECHNOLOGY BASE, WHAT OTHER ASPECTS SHOULD SUCH A CENTER BE INVOLVED WITH I.E. INFORMATION SERVICE, BUSINESS-TO-BUSINESS PROGRAMS, LICENSING, TARIFF, TRADE INCENTIVE PROGRAMS? WHAT ARE THE CURRENT POLITICAL DIFFICULTIES OR POSSIBLE OPPOSITIONS TO OPERATING A REGIONAL TECHNOLOGY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CENTER, TO WHICH APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT MONEY COULD BE MADE INDEPENDENT OF LOCAL FUNDING AGENCIES, OR OF OAS? HOW HEAVILY IS US INDUSTRY INVOLVED IN MANAGEMENT OR CONSULTING SERVICES IN TECHNOLOGY IN LA? HOW WOULD SUCH A CENTER COMPLEMENT EXISTING BUSINESS METHODS OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER WHICH HAVE BEEN EFFECTIVE IN PROMOTING INDUSTRIAL GROWTH AND ECONOMIC STABILITY? IS CONCENTRATION ON A LONG-TERM INPUT TO LA TECHNOLOGY DESIRABLE?

7. MANY OF THE TOPICS AND QUESTIONS ABOVE ARE NOT NEW;
CURRENT STATUS AND EVALUATION ARE NEEDED.

8. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THE OASGA RESOLUTION ON
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY STRESSES TOPICS SUCH AS THE CON-
SOLIDATION OF APPLIED RESEARCH INSTITUTES AND THE DEVELOP-
MENT AND ADAPTATION OF TECHNOLOGIES.

9. YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS PREPARATION FOR THE US POSI-
TION ON THE INTER-AMERICAN TECHNOLOGY CENTER WOULD BE MOST
WELCOME AND APPRECIATED. KISSINGER

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